

ABSTRACT

An address data management method and system that allow a purchaser wishing to purchase merchandise from an online shopping site on the Internet or other vendor to make a purchase and request delivery while keeping address data comprising delivery address secret from third parties, including the vendor of that merchandise. An address data management method comprises the steps of: acquiring address data comprising delivery address from a purchaser; establishing an address ID with unique correspondence to address data and notifying the purchaser thereof; managing a correspondence table indicating correspondence between address data and address ID; accepting delivery request data generated by the merchandise vendor; extracting address data corresponding to address ID; and executing delivery processing of the article based on the extracted address data.